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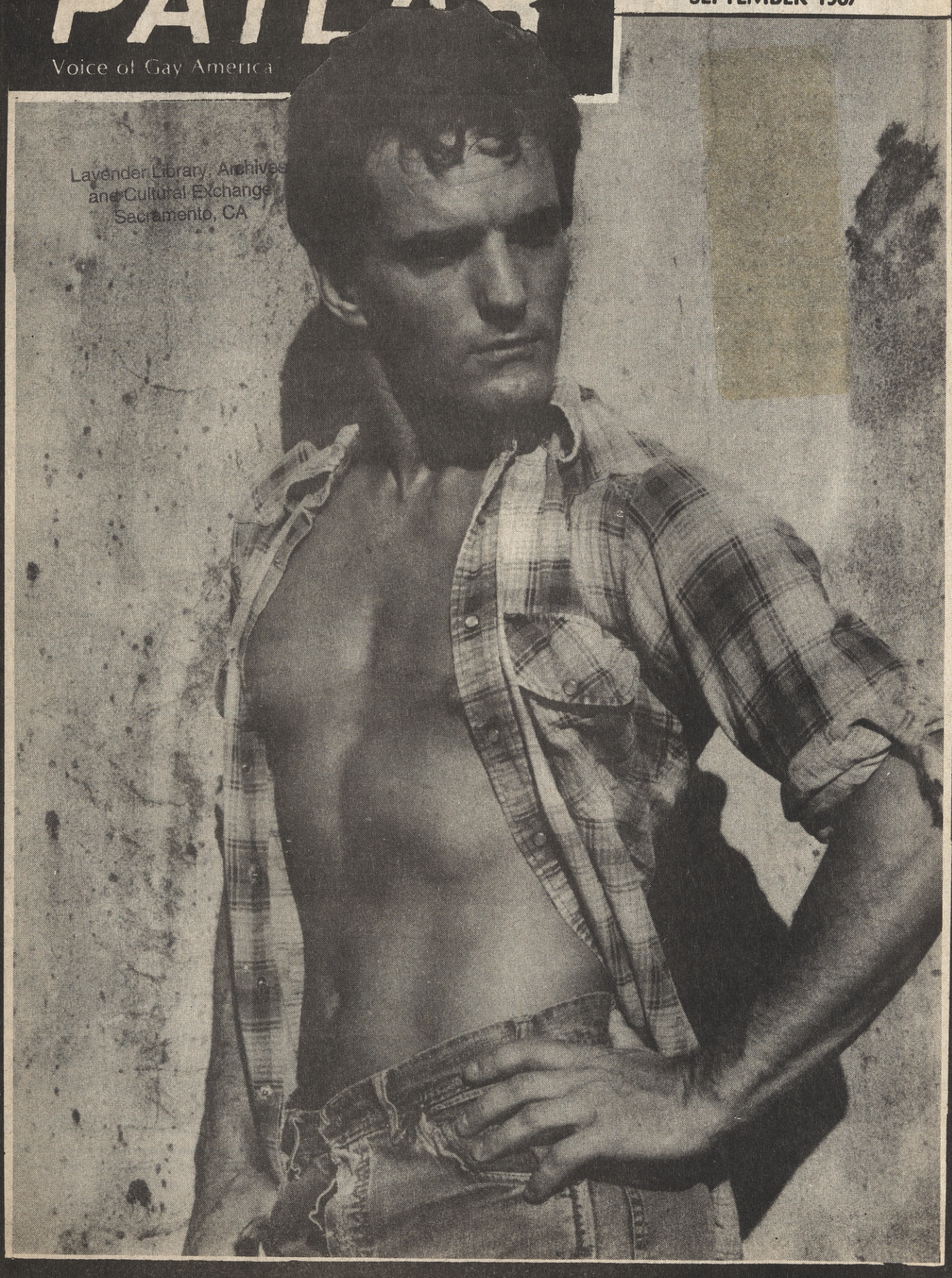

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Volunteers To Test New AIDS Vaccine

In Washington, D.C., gay volunteers recently began signing up for inoculations with an experimental AIDS vaccine, the first to be tested on humans in the U.S. The tests will start next month.

Scientists hope that the recently approved vaccine will induce the recipient's body to produce antibodies that will neutralize the AIDS virus. This could serve to prevent someone from getting AIDS, but would not cure those people who already are infected.

The experimental vaccine is known as VaxSyn. It was developed by MicroGeneSys, a biopharmaceutical firm in Connecticut. The vaccine was chosen for testing by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases because it had produced large amounts of "neutralizing antibodies in animals, especially in guinea pigs," a government spokesperson announced.

If all goes well, the vaccine will eventually be tested on several thousand men, mostly homosexual. The testing program, which will include several phases, may cover a period of up to three years before definitive results can be determined.

Homosexuals were chosen for the tests because they are the group at greatest risk for AIDS in this country and their immune responses tend to be weakened by exposure to hepatitis and other sexually transmitted diseases.

HRCF SEEKS INTERNS

The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) is seeking interns. HRCF is currently employing two interns and will expand its internship program in the near future.

HRCF was founded in 1980 and is the 16th largest independent political action committee in the United States. HRCF serves as a voice of the gay community in hundreds of federal political campaigns throughout the nation. It also does lobbying on Capitol Hill for civil rights for gay women and men as well as for a more responsible federal policy with respect to AIDS.

The intern program offers the opportunity to work closely with the HRCF staff on a variety of projects and to learn about the role of government on issues of concern to gay people.

Interns at HRCF are expected to make at least a 3-month commitment, part or full time. A stipend may be available.

Persons who are interested in an internship with HRCF should contact Michael Albert at (202) 628-4160.

Un-funny Joke About Queers

The National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in Washington, D.C. has denounced as offensive a joke about "queers in San Francisco." The joke was told by Senator James Exon, D-Neb., at a truckers' convention in Omaha.

The stupid joke goes like this: "The latest lawyer story is the one that's making the rounds in Washington, D.C. Why is it that there are more lawyers in Washington, D.C., and queers in San Francisco? The answer is very obvious. San Francisco had first choice."

Jeff Levi, executive director of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force announced "Not only is this [joke] lacking in humnor, it is patently offensive. I think if you substituted any other minority group for gays [in the joke], Senator Exon would see how unacceptable that kind of comment is."

Sen. Exon maintained that the joke was quoted out of context and that he would tell it again. He said, "It was a joke and it was intended as a joke. But some people might not think it proper. I told the story. I was asked to tell the story in public and so I told the story."

Methodists Convict Lesbian Minister

A jury of Methodist ministers has ruled that a United Methodist minister who accepted her own lesbianism after years of "blatant, raw, fear-filled homophobia" violated a church run forbidding homosexual clergy.

A jury of nine men and four women reached a 11-2 decision. They voted to suspend Rose Mary Denman from her ministerial duties until United Methodist ministers from the state gather for the annual meeting in June 1988. They could have removed her from the ministry or expelled her from the church.

The Rev. Janet E. Smith-Rushton, who chaired the jury, said jurors reaffirmed their belief that homosexuals are "individuals of sacred worth" who are entitled to their fair share of guidance. It is not clear to us that the Rev. Rose Mary Denman has received the adequate spiritual and emotional care of such a reconciling fellowship within the United Methodist Church."

Rev. Denman is in the process of switching her allegiance to the Unitarian Universalist Association, which accepts homosexuals.

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Twelve Going On Thirteen

by Ann Muller

There was a boy named Roger Edward whose family called him Eddie. Eddie lived in a town in central Illinois that was 183 miles from Chicago. The last of those miles were two narrow lanes of road bordered by corn fields. Eddie was twelve years old going on thirteen, and he was small for his age. His was still a boy's body without the new growth of dark hairs or the half-pleasant smell of exertion that signalled something else.

In addition to being small for his age, Eddie was also good looking, and to those good looks he brought a certain insouciance that showed in the way he moved and the clothes he chose. He had a nice smile, too.

Eddie loved animals, stuffed as well as the real kind. He liked to play tennis and soccer which is the same thing as saying he was good at tennis and soccer. He also liked to sew and cook, and he was good at those things too. In fact, he'd signed up for home ec class in the fall when he would start his first year of junior high school.

In his twelfth year, Eddie had also talked of suicide. His father didn't take him seriously; he thought it was Eddie's way of getting attention. Because Eddie's father had done more fathering than most men and because his love for his children was known, others in the family listened to Eddie's father. But they weren't convinced he was right about Eddie.

Eddie's parents thought Eddie was homosexual. Eddie's father said if that were the case, he'd care a little bit about what other people would think of him as Eddie's father, but mostly he'd worry that it would be a hard life for Eddie. Eddie's parents also said that however it worked out, Eddie would still be their son.

At the end of Eddie's twelfth summer, just before he started junior high, Eddie had a dream. In his dream, an old man, even older than his father, sat next to him and touched him on the shoulder. The old man said, "I've heard that you've had thoughts of hurting yourself. Is that true?"

In the dream, Eddie didn't look at the old man. He stared straight ahead and nodded.

Then the old man said, "I'm sorry to hear that because I believe you're a good person. And because I think that, I wanted to give you an important message that I hope you'll remember."

Eddie didn't respond. He continued to look straight ahead.

"I'm old," the old man began, "and therefore I know certain things that you don't know yet. One thing I know is that your parents care about what happens to you."

Here again Eddie gave a small nod.

"I also think," the old man continued, "that the years ahead in junior high and high school may be hard years for you. They are hard years for many young people, especially for those who feel they are different from other kinds. You may have already felt something like that."

There was no response from Eddie.

"Now, then," the old man went on, "in order to help you get through these years ahead, I want you to start tak-

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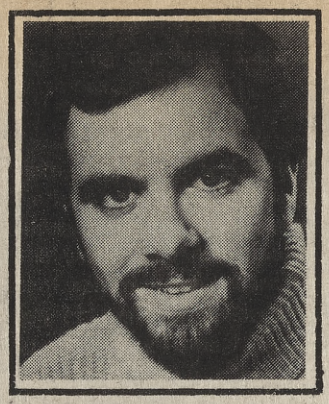

SELF DEFINITIONS

by Douglas N. Lewis

One of the surest ways to discover how people define themselves is to listen to them talk—the words they choose, how they put those words together, when and what they talk about.

I've been listening very closely lately to my friends to see how their particular life-views and priorities make themselves heard in their speech. I must say first off that I am very happy and proud of my friends. The ideas that follow are not meant to be my omnipotent judgements of their lives, but more of the kind of observations intended to make us aware of the "invisible" ways in which we sometimes booby trap our lives and set ourselves up for problems ahead.

I've known my friends for a long time; and we've gotten to be extended family of sorts, supporting each other and making one another laugh. We have parties occasionally, and it is there that we catch up with each other's latest developments and goals. We also find out where our respective "heads" are regarding our lives and our priorities.

I was talking to a good friend of mine at a recent gathering, and he told me that he had gone on a couple of interviews for new jobs earlier that week. I said that I thought that was great; what were the jobs? His answer puzzled me, and the more I thought about it, the more bothersome it became. His reply was this: "Oh great! $35,000." I found it disturbing that when I had asked about the type of job he was interested in applying for he had responded with the amount of money he might be making. I told him that I thought that seemed like a good salary, ***but what was the job?*** It took him several moments to break down his thoughts and actually answer my question. It was like what he would be making somehow defined the value of the work, and what's more, the value of himself.

You might think that because we are all friends, he may have assumed that I would know the kind of work he was looking for, and that the money was the only thing left to tell me. But that's not true, for this particular friend because he's very intelligent, has potential in a lot of areas, and has had a variety of jobs in the past. The ***real*** point is that it has become the "in" thing in the business world to wear your job title on your sleeve and to talk of nothing but that, like without your label, you might just disappear off the face of the earth. The fact of the matter is, MONEY and TITLE have become the language most used and understood in his world. They have become the definitions and limitations of the yuppie universe.

Later that same night I was talking to an actor friend of mine and I asked him how he was. His response was, "Well, I went on three commercial calls today and got one callback out of it." I said, "That's great, but how are ***you?***" I had fallen prey to this particular form of self-definition myself on several occasions. Actors, especially, seem to answer "How are you?" with their resume. It seems to be increasingly difficult to separate the person from the definitions of his work. Like a

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HOROSCOPES!

by Dr. Pat Larr

VIRGO *(Aug 23-Sep 22):* Problems at the office intrude on your homelife this month. If you're going to work overtime, save it for the bedroom.

LIBRA *(Sep 23-Oct 22):* A mystery man with a full beard worms his way into your affections. This affair is doomed to be a close shave.

SCORPIO *(Oct 23-Nov 22):* A pretty bag boy bowls you over at the grocery store. Yes, he checks out your groceries, and later you get to check out his.

SAGGITARIUS *(Nov 23-Dec 21):* The school bell tolls for thee when a handsome professor gives you some help with your homework.

CAPRICORN *(Dec 22-Jan 19):* Hanky-panky with that perfect stranger could be imperfect, especially when that special someone finds out.

AQUARIUS *(Jan 20-Feb 18):* A new man with a kooky sense of humor leaves you laughing all the way to the bedroom. That's when you'll want to cry.

PISCES *(Feb 19-Mar 20):* A big problem rears its ugly head. Just sit on it until it's ready to explode. You'll find this solution extremely satisfying.

ARIES *(Mar 21-Apr 19):* A sports enthusiast asks you if you would like to hit a few balls. Leave your bat at home.

TAURUS *(Apr 20-May 20):* When that handsome stranger says he wants to get a load off his chest mid-month, he doesn't mean he wants to make a confession.

GEMINI *(May 21-Jun 20):* Money problems will be solved by month's end when that special someone coughs up some cash.

CANCER *(Jun 21-Jul 22):* Full steam ahead with your physical fitness plan. By month's end, you'll be back in shape.

LEO *(Jul 23-Aug 22):* Never knew safe sex could be so sexy? A new playmate teaches you the New Sensuality.

FAUX PAS

by Ed E. Kett

Dear Mr. Kett,

Recently I was invited to a dinner party at a friend's home. A pair of lovers were also invited, and they brought along the eight year old son of one of the lovers. I, as well as one of the other guests, was taken aback. No concessions were made for our juvenile guest. The conversation and behavior continued on as they sometimes do at gay dinner parties—raunchy to the max. Although the child was very friendly and extremely well behaved, I was afraid to be cordial to the kid lest my dinner companions think I was on the make; but then, I didn't want to be rude either. What does one do in a situation like this?

Yours,
Sammy

Dear Sammy,

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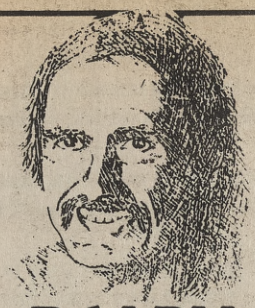

RALPH

and there is more...

"Harmonic Convergence" has come and gone. Or, the two days of celebrations and activities to mark off this beginning point of the new age have passed. What happened? When I wrote of the event a month ago, almost no one had heard of it; yet from what I have seen in the press, the event touched thousands of people and hundreds of different sacred sites across the planet found people honoring this turning point.

But, again, what happened? I do not have an answer to that; I do not know. But I do know that an experiment in which a large number of Transcendental Meditators focused on Rholde Island several years back clearly demonstrated that such a directing of energy contributed to a very pronounced, statisically significant drop in crime rates, suicides, and other negative events during that period of time. "Thoughts are things," many of the spiritual disciplines say, and perhaps it is so. Thus it would seem not unlikely that those thousands who came together in body and in spirit on August 16th and 17th will have had influence on the planet and its inhabitants.

In my own case, I began preparations with a three-day juice fast three weeks before the event. When I later learned the instruction was for a "complete" fast, I planned and began a water fast on Thursday, continuing through until Sunday the 16th. I note these facts simply because they may factor into my experiences during the two days of Convergence.

Our observance here at The Barn began at 7:00 PM Saturday evening and continued to mid-afternoon on Sunday. Seven of us gathered in the living room, which we had declared "sacred space," for silent meditation and for a long period of chanting "om." This was done with dedication and deep reverence. And, we all felt it was a sign when a most raucous flock of wild geese flew directly over the barn, in a northeasterly direction, during one of our silent meditations.

Having retired early Saturday, we arose at 5:00 AM Sunday to make our way through the woods and to the clearing on the side of the mountain, overlooking the barn to the east. Here we began a fire with wood we carried with us, and "chanted up the sun." Our morning chanting commingled with the tape of our chanting of the evening before. And, our number had swelled to eleven, including seven-week old Zachary and his mother Michelle. Both most naturally aligned with all that was happening.

Later, after the sun was up, we made our way across through the woods to the large boulder which for years some people from here have used as a meditation spot. There we performed rituals of annointing, attuned to the vibrations of the stone and, after the fashion of a Quaker meeting, allowed Spirit to speak through us as it would. We each voiced whatever inspired words we felt. I knew that the stone was alive and that this was sacred ground. We had been told this was so, and for millennia; this time I KNEW!

Finally, as if in confirmation, again the flock of wild geese, flapping and honking, flew directly over us, returning toward the southeast! What clearer sign for us that

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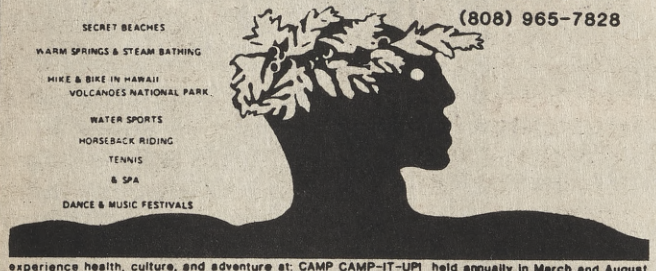

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by Crackers IX de Modesto

MEATBALLS!!!

This is not a movie review; it is this month's recipe. I'm going to give you one basic recipe for meatballs, a couple of variations, and several sauces.

The meatball is one of the most basic and versatile items on the menu. If you want Swedish meatballs, make them small; Italian meatballs, a little larger; for an entree, even larger.

Meatballs can be made ahead and kept frozen if well wrapped. Do not freeze with sauce. Freeze after cooking.

BASIC MEATBALLS

1½ cups fine bread crumbs soaked in ¾ cup milk, or
1½ cups dry stuffing mix soaked in 3 cups milk
2 eggs beaten
1 lg onion, chopped fine and sauteed
1 lb ground beef and 1 lb ground pork
Salt and pepper to taste

Options—one per batch

4 Tbls Parmesan and 1 Tbls Italian seasoning
1 cup applesauce and ½ tsp nutmeg
2 Tbls Worcestershire sauce

Mix soaked crumbs, eggs and onion in a very large bow; this will be very runny. Now mix in meat, salt and pepper and any option you may have chosen. Mixture should now be very moist but firm; if not, add either dry crumbs or liquid until manageable. Form into desired size balls and saute, turning frequently until browned evenly. You'll have to do this in batches. The recipe makes a lot; but don't worry because they are good and will disappear fast.

SAUCES

SOUR CREAM SAUCE

¼ cup flour
1 cup water
1 Tbls dill weed
½ cup melted butter
2 cups sour cream
Salt and pepper to taste

Add flour to melted butter over low heat, blending until smooth. Slowly add water stirring constantly. Now do the same with the sour cream and dill until mixture bubbles and thickens. Do not boil or scorch. Add meatballs and simmer.

BROWN SAUCE

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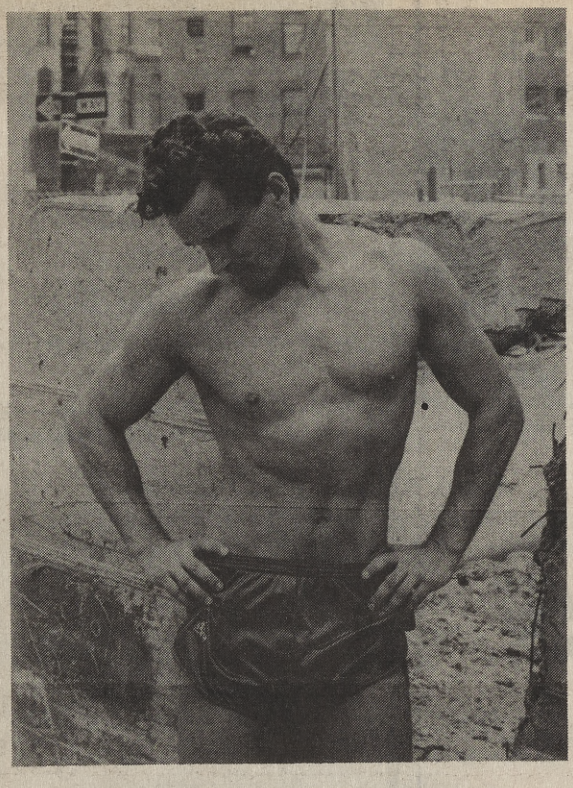

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GAY RODEO SCHEDULED IN SAN FRAN

Gay rodeo is scheduled for San Francisco for the first time. The First Annual International Gay Finals Rodeo will be hosted by the Bay Area Chapter of the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association on September 18, 19, and 20. The weekend will feature two rodeo performances, three dances, dance exhibitions, live entertainment, a country-crafts fair, and an awards dinner.

This will be the first time the cowboys and cowgirls who scored the best in five regional gay rodeos will get a chance to compete for top honors at a finals rodeo. The regional gay rodeos are produced every year by state gay rodeo association members of the International Gay Rodeo Association. The five women and five men who have the most points in each event for the '86-'87 season will be invited to compete in their event at this year's season-end finals rodeo.

The weekend kicks off Friday evening, September 18, at the San Francisco Hotel, with "California or Bust,": a party with live entertainment, dancing, dance exhibitions, and a casino. A similar party with the theme "Gold Rush Roundup" follows the next evening also at the hotel. Select country-music DJs from across the U.S. will provide music for dancing. Additional live entertainment is being planned.

The two rodeo performances are to be held Saturday and Sunday afternoon at the Rowell Ranch Rodeo Park, located in Dublin Canyon off Interstate 580, between Castro Valley and Pleasanton. A shuttle bus will provide transportation between the rodeo grounds and the host hotels.

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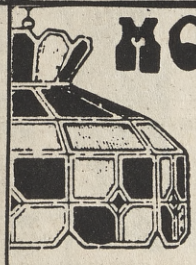

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by Keith Miller

As the American Airlines flight lifted from the runway of Newark Airport, Jeff's heart pushed back, back, like a cold stone pressing on his soul. The pressure of acceleration squeezed the lump from his throat and into his eyes, causing a cascade of tears. With the cold, black winter night blessedly darkening the interior of the aircraft, no one noticed the grown man on the aisle wiping his face with the back of his hand.

"The Captain has turned off the no-smoking sign. Cigarette smoking only, please."

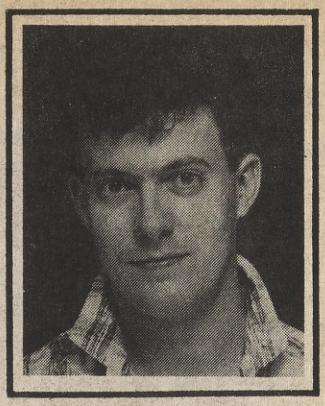
Jeff, grateful, grabbed a Salem Light, quickly lighting it and inhaling deeply. He only wished he had something more potent to smoke—something to soothe his brain; something to make it stop snowing. How long until the cocktail cart comes around?

He knew what he would miss most about the relationship. Sleeping late on cold, snowly weekends, buried beneath the quilts with his cold nose stuck between Harry's shoulder blades. Snuggling close together like spoons in a drawer, fitting perfectly, evenly matched. Harry's body temperature always seemd high; there was never need for an electric blanket when he could cling to Harry's smooth warmth. Nights were safe and secure, quiet as Ninth Avenue hidden under a new snowfall.

"Would you care for a cocktail?"

The Flight Attendant's voice jolted Jeff, causing him to jump, the old man next to him 'harrumphing' his displeasure at the sudden movement.

The Flight Attendant was tall and manicured. He was a clone of the airways, yet his eyes twinkled merrily among his strong features, clipped mustache, and bright teeth. Jeff managed a smile.



"Rum and coke please—um, make it a double. Five dollars?! Jeeze. Whatever."

Jeff stirred the drink as it jostled in front of him, the old man watching him intently. He licked the swizzle stick, then studied the airline insignia at its top as the fragrance of warm lime filled his nose. It smelled of Harry's words, as Harry held him by the shoulders, standing on the street in a cold November rain. Or was it him at all? The liquor had burned behind Jeff's lover's eyes, making them glassy, turning him into a Mr. Hyde, someone unrecognizable except to himself. Harry's worlds fell from his lips like Scrabble tiles, not falling together, making a mess of the playboard. The pieces that were coherent shined through loud and clear, as if Harry had gathered the harvest of farewell and delivered it to Jeff in a bitter cornucopia.

"I love you but I also love him. I love you both but I love you more. You have to understand. Grow up a little bit. That's always the way it is in gay relationships. When you're my age, you'll see, you'll understand. The world is not the damn little fairyland you think it is, so get over it and smell the coffee."

Harry stumbled away into the rain, staggering around the corner as Jeff stood frozen in the alcove, a nomad dead in no-man's land. He wanted to run after him, to hold him. But he more

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CROSSROADS

BRIDGING COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT AMERICA

WASHINGTON, D.C.

On Saturday, October 10, 1987, the National Association will sponsor the Third National Political Conference in Washington, DC. The one-day conference is being held in conjunction with the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights.

The focus of the conference will be gay involvement in the 1988 elections and running openly gay candidates for public office.

Presidential candidates and their representatives have been invited to speak at the conference. Workshop topis will include campaign management, voter registration, and fundraising. Special workshops on organizing gay Democratic Clubs and on the political implications of the March.

Registration for the conference is $25 ($20 for National Association members).

CLEVELAND

A new group is forming in Cleveland to give single gays an alternative social outlet. The group, which is for professional gays, will begin meeting as soon as it can be determined whether there is an interest in and need for such an organization. For info, call Tim at (614) 651-4614 Tues. 9-4 PM or Thurs. 9-1 PM.

BERKELEY

Tom Brougham, recently elected to the Peralta Community College Board in Berkeley, California, is the first openly gay candidate to win office in the East Bay area. Brougham defeated incumbant Marsha Coprew by receiving 59% of the vote.

Bougham's district includes 30,000 people and several of the college's campuses. Area voters, who were dissatisfied with the incumbent's work, rallied around Brougham.

In the reorganization of the Board that followed the election, Brougham, who is an acountant, was named chai of the Budget Committee.

CONCORD

The Contra Costa County AIDS Task Force is seeking new volunteer recruits. The training session will be an all-inclusive tutorial on AIDS and exercises in grief, death and dying, and counseling AIDS patients and their families.

In addition to serving as peer counselors, volunteers are needed to serve in such areas as office support, fundraising, social planning, political concerns, and community education.

Interested parties should telephone the Task Force office between the hours of 10 AM and 2 PM to request a volunteer application. The telephone number is (415) 372-2525.

SAN DIEGO

Bay Harbor Boating Club, San Diego's newest gay yacht club, is currently seeking new boat owners and associate members. Many singles and couples boat owners now have the opportunity to join a boat club. Year round activities include raft-ups, trips to local cruising spots, and on-shore parties.

Associate members who may not own a boat at this time but who are sincerely interested in boating are also sought. Associates will be able to join the boat owners in all club activities.

For more information and a copy of the current newsletter, send your name, address, and phone number to: Bay Harbor Boating Club, PO Box 9308, San Diego, CA 92109.

WICHITA

The third annual MiniSeries for incoming freshmen will be held at the WSU, CAC, Room 210, September 14-19, 1987 at noon and 7:30 PM. Speakers include: Jim Perry, Dr. Gregory Robbins, Randall Brotherton, Dr. Donna Sweet, Lewis Dunlap, and Dave Anderson. They will speak on various topics such as: issues in AIDS education, the Bible and homosexuality, being gay and a parent, AIDS updates, a heterosexual reality, prejudice, etc.

For more information, contact Gay/Lesbian Resource Association, Wichita, Kansas at (316) 265-0376.

KEY WEST

The Key West Business Guild recently announced its plans for "Women in Paradise," a week of events for women September 28 through October 4. During the entire week, there will be different activities such as sailing, boating, snorkling, and windsurfing. There will also be daily tea dances at Guild members' bars.

Welcoming parties will begin September 28 and run through the 30th. A volleyball beach party is scheduled for September 29 and a sunset dinner, dancing, and gambling cruise for September 30.

Two tournaments to be held include softball October 1-4, and a week-long pool tournament with a $100 first prize for the winner.

A special theater performance of the lesbian play "8 x 10 Glossy" is scheduled at the Red Barn Theater on October 1, 2 & 3.

Highlighting the week-long event will be the crowning of Ms. Gay Key West in a special pageant and show October 3. The competition will include "fem" attire, "butch" attire, beach attire, and personality categories.

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Autumn has a special magic all its own as zephrys play across the desert's expanse. There is a certain electricity in the air that seems to influence everyone's behavior, a feeling of tingling anticipation. Maybe it is the list of social engagements that seems to grow over night.

Winter sees the return of the "snowbirds" and the social scene of the desert gyrates into high gear offering the visitor a myriad of choices from gallery exhibitions to cross country skiing at the top of the Tram to dancing the night away. It's the perfect time of the year to leave the grey days of winter behind you and to escape to the sun country of the desert for a day, a week, or longer.

Spring continues to offer more ways to rest, relax and enjoy Palm Springs. The Dinah Shore Golf Classic brings to the desert a great number of gay women. Easter has the return of the collegians as thousands of young people fill our streets...and the living is easy.

For your free directory of Palm Springs, write to: Desert Business Association, PO Box 773, Palm Springs, CA 92263. For an update of the social scene in Palm Springs, call Jim at The Bottom Line Magazine (619) 323-0552.

SEATTLE

In Seattle, one can now buy a greeting card which contains a gift certificate for and AIDS test!

The cards are being marketed by The Sexually Transmitted Disease Clinic; they sell for $30 and bear the words: ***Peace of Mind AIDS.***

The idea is the brainchild of Dr. Howard Levine who fears that sexually active people in Seattle have been reluctant to undergo testing for expose the the AIDS virus. He hopes that people will buy the test as a present for close friends or lovers.

"It is important for people to understand that if they have had more than one sexual partner during the past five years, and especially if they are gay, they have the potential of carrying the AIDS virus," Dr Levine said.

Ann Downer, health educator for the AIDS Project of the Seattle-King County Department of Public Health said of the cards, "I've never head of anything like this before. Whether this is exploitive is not for me to say. I don't pass a judgment. They have gift certificates for everything else. This was bound to happen."

CHAMPAIGN

Photographers are sought by the National Institute for Exploration (NIE) to participate in a project to document the sub-cultures of Amsterdam September 29-October 9, 1987. Participants should be intereted in model, art photography, and conceptual photojournalism in a black and white format.

The cost is $2150 which includes airfare from New York, housing, model fees, studio, and darkroom facilities. Participants must provide their own phto equipment, film, and food.

The project is open to photographers who want to become published. Subjects which will be covered include model photography, the people of the street, and meeting places.

For information, contact Lynn Muhlenhaupt at (217) 352-3667 in Champaign, Illinois.

LOS ANGELES

Vincent Chalk, a teacher who has AIDS, has filed a lawsuit in Los Angeles to fight an attempt to transfer him from the classroom to a desk job. Chalk says that he misses his students and that he believes he poses no medical threat to them.

Chalk's lawsuit against the Orange County Department of Education could set an important legal precedent by expanding and clarifying the protection afforded to AIDS patients under federal law.

Chalk's lawyer maintains that a victory for Chalk in federal appeals court would establish for the first time that AIDS patients are covered by the U.S. Rehabilitation Act of 1973 which forbids discrimination against people with handicaps by agencies that receive federal funds.

The U.S. Supreme Court has not yet ruled that AIDS is a handicap. That court, however, did hold last March that a Florida teacher with TB was protected from job discrimination by the Rehabilitation Act.

A spokesperson for the Orange County Department of Education said the Department is concerned about the health of its students and wants the court's decision on how to handle the matter. He said the department also wants the court to tell it if it has the duty to inform Chalk's students and co-workers that he has AIDS.

SANTA ROSA

Metropolitan Community Church of Santa Rosa will celebrte its third anniversary with a Spiritual Renewal on September 19 and 20. All special events will be held at 515 Orchard Street in Santa Rosa.

Reverend Ed Sherriff, District Coordinator-Elect, of the Northwest District, will speak on the subject "Healing and Wholeness in the Lesbian/-Gay Community." Rev. Sherriff, who will be relocating from Boise, Idaho, is a former Pentecostal minister.

Saturday's program includes a musical concert by the singing group "New Images" at 7:00 PM. (This will be preceded by a potluck supper at 5:00 PM.) "New Images" will be traveling from Spokane, Washington for this special event. The group is comprised of three gay businessmen who all have experience in Christian ministry and are from different denominational backgrounds. A typical performance includes Christian music in all styles from classical to modern, traditional to country or southern gospel. The group is best known for its smooth harmony and blend, as well as its versatility.

Sunday morning's service, at 11:00 AM, will be an AIDS Memorial Service, dedicated to those persons, both deceased and living, with AIDS or ARC.

For further information, call the church office at (707) 526-HOPE.

BOSTON

The caseload of Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders (GLAD) doubled in the first 6 months of 1987. The work of the AIDS Law Project has grown dramatically; in addition, GLAD is filing suit in court on major new cases that involve fundamental interests of gay people.

Advance information about the work GLAD is doing includes the following:

•Insurance companies are requiring gay men and others whom they consider to be members of high risk groups for AIDS to submit to the HIV antibody test before they can be covered under life and disability insurance. GLAD is representing several women and men in cases that seek to put a stop to this form of insu-

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rance discrimination.

•Dentists are refusing to treat people with AIDS or those who are antibody positive—in spite of the fact that the national Centers for Disease Control have issued a list of precautionary procedures that permit the safe practice of dentistry. GLAD is representing three clients who are HIV positive or who had AIDS and have been refused dental treatment.

• Last summer gay bashing was on the increase in Provincetown, a resort town where many gays go for vacation. Two gay men from New York City were attacked by gay bashers who were not prosecuted despite the willingness of the victims to do so. GLAD is now representing the two men in a civil suit against the gay bashers. GLAD intends to send a strong and clear message: Gay bashers will be pursued, identified, and punished under the law.

For more information, write GLAD, PO Box 218, Boston, MA 02112 or telephone (617) 426-1350.

LONG BEACH

Letter
To The Editor

Dear Editor:

AIDS is now touching every family in our community, and soon in the country. The sad fact is that many who are diagnosed and struggling with this disease have no family, no friends to fall back on. That is why Project AHEAD at the Center in Long Beach sponsors The Buddy Program.

A Buddy is an emotional support person trained in the needs of People with AIDS (PWAs), over 200 in Long Beach alone. S/he may be the main source of love and help a PWA has. To be a buddy, you just have to be a friend.

With the large number of PWAs in our community, there is a crying need for more Buddies. We know you're out there; we just need to reach you. **Patlar** can help to get the word out to the community at large by printing the following message:

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We also have PWAs and their Buddies ready to make personal appearances and do interviews.

Gratefully
Gale McNeeley
Volunteer Coordinator

ERNIE BROWN

VIEWS FROM RIVER CITY

SACRAMENTO

On vacation this month: I bring greetings from Philadelphia, Atlanta, Augusta, Macon, Savannah, Jacksonville, Puerto Vallarta, Long Beach, Laguna Beach, Riverside, and Los Angeles!...My trip South was for a family reunion. I had my doubts about going that direction since I hadn't been down there since 1960, before civil rights. But that's all cleared away now, more so actually than in the north and California...Atlanta has got to be the Mecca of the South. They have some of the greatest gay bars in the U.S. To name a few I visited: Bulldog & Co., Back Street, Illusions, Plumb Butch, and my favorite, Blake's. The bartenders just ooze southern hospitality. (And frankly, my dears, I give a damn!)...On one's way to Augusta one has to go through Forsyth, Georgia. Needless to say, I didn't tarry there; I didn't want to destroy the wonderful feelings I had built up about the South...In Augusta they have only one gay bar, The Reflection, very nice & friendly...On to Savannah. But before you ask: No, I was not the vamp of Savannah. We're talking here about Ole Fashioned Southern Charm. Savannah drips "ante bellum." One of its great bars is one of Sacramento's namesakes: Faces. A good eating spot there, The Pink House, is owned now by Herchel & Jeff, formerly of Sacramento;

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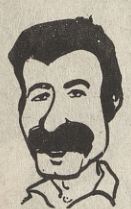
they used to own The Gaslight in Rosesville...On to Jacksonville, which is really not one of my favorite Florida cities, but because of family had a good time there in spite of myself. Some of the great gay bars there are Backdoor, Brothers, My Little Dude, and Old Plantation...I flew on to Puerto Vallarta, the jewel of the Mexican Riviera. The natives are beautiful to look at and beautiful to talk to. Since June, July, Aug., Sept., and Oct. are their off-season, one can get a chance to talk to a lot of people, and people are there from all over the world. If you like a younger set, yuppies, this is it. Everyone's there to have fun and fun we had. It's two gay bars are Los Balcones and The Piano Bar. "We" have "our own" sunbathing spot on the ocean, La Eldorado La Playa, behind the Eldorado Hotel...Don't forget: My annual trip to The Renaissance Faire, Sunday September 13th. Bus leaves The Mercantile Saloon at 10:00 AM. The Merc will open 8:00 AM. Fare will be $22 which includes mixes, ice, admission to Faire, and transportation. Don't miss it. I understand the faire is better than ever this year. Be a part of it...Love ya all; see you soon.



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HOTLANTA

The South shall rise again, at least for one weekend a year. This past Hotlanta River Expo was definitely a tribute to the South. For years I had heard rumblings about this yearly event which happens on the first weekend in August. I could never place my hands on the actual purpose of the event other than another reason for a whole group of people to party. Now that I have been "Hotlanta-fied," I have come to realize that this event is really an opportunity for old friends and new to join together. These events bring enjoyment to the soul; and in the dark days that we are now in, a little good clean fun is most welcomed.

Back in 1979, 250 people got together and decided to embark upon a raft race down the Chattahoochee River. They had such a good time that it became an annual event. However, the number of participants grew, and they soon found it necessary to receive permission from the State Parks and Recreation Department to organize. To this day, this group is the only one that has received such authority to gather on the river. This most recent expo had 1,142 people rafting the waters. Needles to say, the racing part of the river expo succumbed to the pressures of fun and frolic and hence river race was changed three years ago to simply river expo. At that time it was taken over by the very qualified Walt Greer who has proceeded to make this the most awaited weekend in Atlanta.

The river portion is the climax of three days of events beginning with the Miss Hotlanta Queen contest on Thursday. If the South is famous for one thing, it is their drag queens; and believe me, they turn out in droves to win this coveted title. By Friday, most everyone had arrived and checked into the hotel. This year, the Colony Square was the host property. Just to sit in the lobby bar and watch

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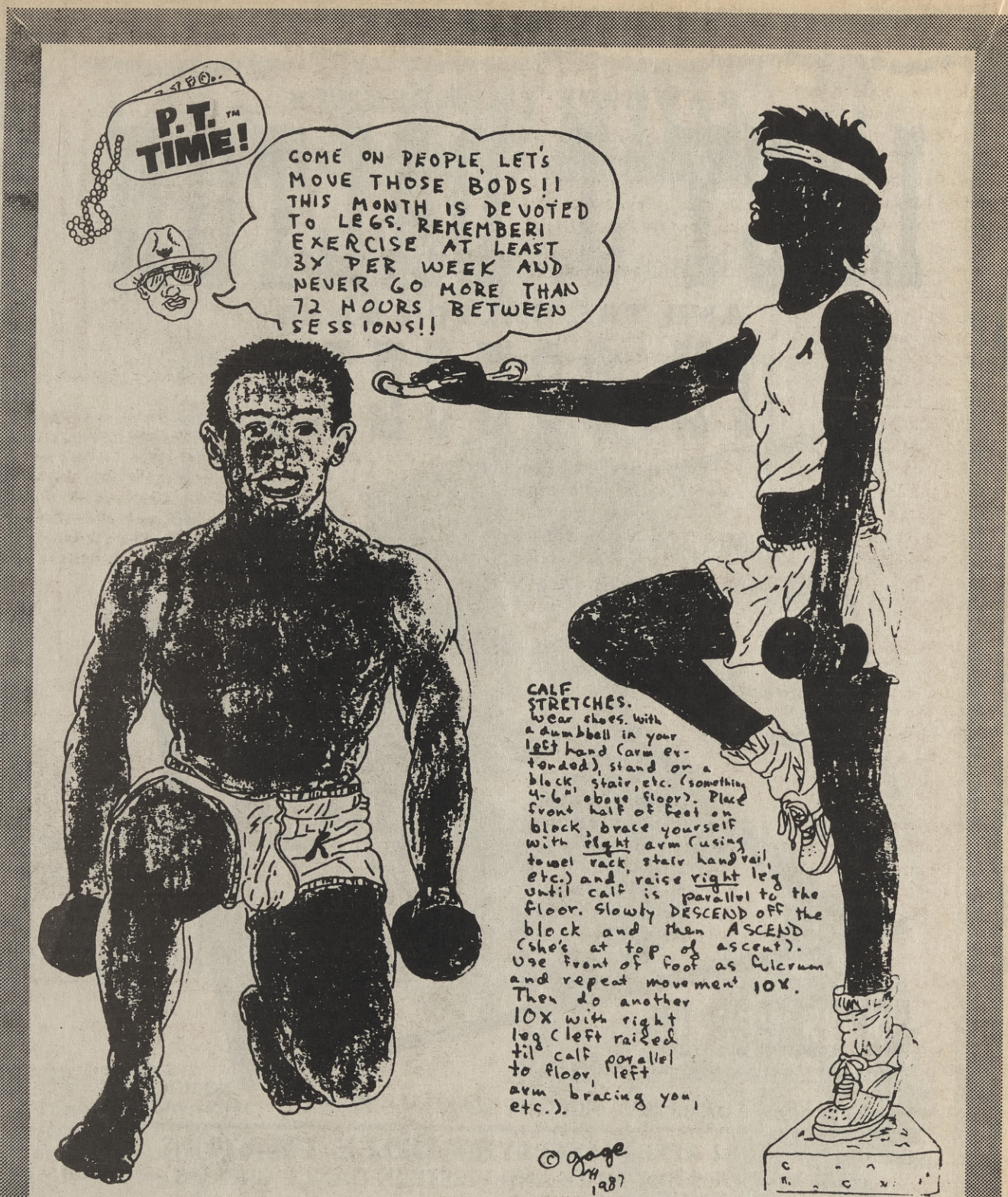
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LEG LUNGES. (Great for upper legs). Grab a dumbbell in each hand, arms at full extension. Maintaining arm position, step out with your right foot, kneeling with your left BUT NOT LETTING YOUR LEFT KNEE TOUCH THE FLOOR! Your right thigh and left knee (calf) should be parallel to the floor when you lunge forward. SLOWLY return to the starting position. Repeat movement for opposite side (stepping out with left foot). Do a set of 20 (10x per side, alternating). If there's any muscle fatigue, wait a day before trying again. (You'll definitely feel the legs muscles work)

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the throngs of gorgeous bodies was a sight in itself.

Friday night was the major theme disco party with nearly 3000 in attendance. I have somewhat outgrown these beebop havens, but this particular party was well organized with little or no lines at the many bars or the array of wonderful foods. Once the party had ended at 1:00 AM, the many bars were then host to those late niters. In Atlanta, one can go on drinking until 4:00 AM, and the Armory was a sure bet for such individuals. Most of the bars in town were acknowledging the river rafters and offered free admission with proof of registration. Some of the more enjoyable places were Blakes, Gallus, Weekends, The Bar on Peachtree, and always the Pharr Library.

Saturday evening marked the event that many people were waiting, actually salivating for, the Mr. Hotlanta contest. There were twelve participants, each from a different city, and each with a body to rival Charles Atlas; however, I doubt that many of them would have been able to read his maps! The chap who won was from Atlanta (what a coincidence). Actually it was the first time that a resident from Atlanta won, and he was certainly deserving of the title. The show was held at the Fox theater which is truly one of the last great theater palaces done up to the nines in Egyptian motif. Other than the stunning array of flesh, the real highlight of the show was an impersonator by the name of Jimmy James. He is known for his wonderful characterization of Marilyn Monroe, but his talents certainly do not stop there as his grand Dames just keep on rolling.

Sunday finally arrived with the throngs of rafters eagerly awaiting their respective busses. There were a total of 18 busses lined up to take us on what would turn out to be one of the wettest days of my life. Each bus was manned by a captain who was responsible for keeping his troops entertained. The always effervescent David Griess from Houston did his best Pee Wee Herman impersonation while keeping our champagne glasses full. The actual ride to the river site was only 30 minutes away, but this group made every second count.

As we all boarded our rafts, the costumes began to appear and the water started to fly. I could not believe the amount of adolescent behavior that abounded. It was so much fun! I don't think there was a dry soul afloat the entire day. The actual expo river route is not that long, so naturally the group took their time getting to the end. Cleopatra would have been awed by seeing a river full of so many queens.

My apprehensions about this trip being one of endless parties has now been quelled. What I can say is that this trip was endless fun. If I missed a party or two, it was no great loss; but the Mr. Hotlanta Contest and the River trip itself should not be missed. Sherman may have had his way once with this town; but when they rose again, nothing could stop 'em!

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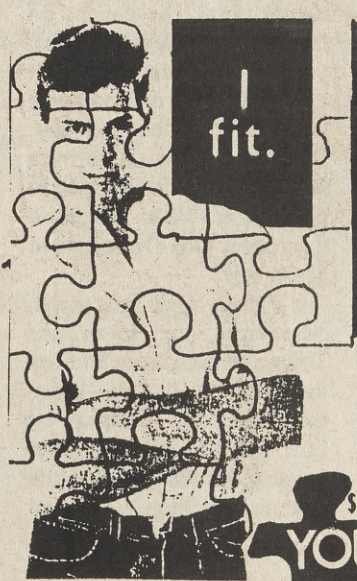

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THREADLINES

by G. W. Lee

You really know it's the end of summer when you can no longer find a swimming suit in a clothing store! Or they're advertised at 50%-75% off or more. And you definitely know it's fall when you see a store having a winter coat sale in August. And then there's good ole "back to school" time.

Lately I've been seeing a lot of denim items. This year manufacturers have made using that marvelous material in more exciting and different ways than ever before. Just when I thought they'd done everything they could to denim they think up something new!

Most notably in the new denim craze is a new process called acid washing. After the item has been constructed, it's washed in an acid solution to within an inch of its life. The end result is denim clothing that is very soft, flexible, mottled, and blotchy. The look is so hot that it's selling faster than hotcakes.

In one store, I found Bugle Boy jeans that had a turned up cuff, waistband, and pockets in a jade paisley fabric. This jean had lots of details such as pleats under the cargo pockets and pieced together leg details. I have also seen regular style jeans merely acid washed to go with the trend. And for more variety, I've seen jeans in a black and blue pieced together combination, washed to a light gray and blue. Wonderful looking!

The shape of jeans currently is fitted at the waist, baggy in the hip area, and smartly tapered from the knee to the ankle. The shape looks good on most body types, so check it out for yourself and maybe you'll discover a new you!

Coats ae another item of clothing on which manufacturers have used the acid washed look. Short, blouson bomber jackets are cropping up in stores. These jackets have lots of piece work detail in the back and pockets galore in the front. The gold top stitching blends beautifully into the distressed denim and becomes a more subtle detail. I've also seen black and blue denim detail piecing in the jacket category; the results are gorgeous! Finally, I saw a duster coat in one store that was oversized and had extra long sleeves. When the sleeves were rolled up, a unique lining with people drawn in blue was revealed.

Needless to say, this new denim craze has caught on fast; so if you see something you like, I suggest you pick it up immediately or it probably won't be there the next time. Prices for items range from $50 and up, so be prepared to pay full price for an item since it probably won't have time to go on sale!

If you have any questions, comments, or ideas for Thread Lines, please address them to: G. W. Lee—President/Designer, Designs by LEE, PO Box 4503-PG, East Lansing, MI 48826-9103. Until next month: Shop 'til ya drop!

MODERN MUSIC by Michael Maier

DIONNE WARWICK

A Legendary Singer Continues To Soar

There is a large difference between a superstar and a legend. For example: Whitney Houston is indeed a superstar, but still has a long road to follow before she catches up with her cousin and mentor Dionne Warwick. This is where the differnce becomes clear: Dionne Warwick is a living legend. There's no need to debate; the lady is a biggie. Ms. Warwick has for years been establishing herself as one of the foremost ladies of song. Classics such as: "Alfie," "Don't Make Me Over," "Do You Know The Way To San Jose," "A House Is Not A Home," "I Say A Little Prayer," "Walk On By," "You'll Never Get To Heaven," "Then Came You," "I'll Never Love This Way Again," "Deja Vu," "No Night So Long," "Heartbreaker" and the list goes on and on...show the importance that his lady has contributed to popular music.

Ms. Warwick belongs to a very special class of ladies—Barbra Streisand, Diana Ross, and Dionne Warwick—three living legendary ladies who have survived the test of years. It is also rather coincidental that each of the three ladies has solid and strong albums appearing on the charts at the same time: Barbra—"One Voice"; Diana—"Red Hot Rhythm And Blues"; Dionne—Reservations For Two."

This album is correctly titled, as it is a fine compilation of duets and love ballads that no one can sing like Warwick.The cast includes Jeffrey Osborne who teams up with Dionne on the album's first hit single "Love Power," written and produced by Burt Bacharach and Carole Bayer Sager. Smokey Robinson wrote, produced, and sings on the sure-hit "You're My Hero." This cut has all the success elements of Smokey Robinson and that Motown magic. "Another Chance To Love" is a definite Top 40 smash with the well balanced vocals of Warwick and Howard Hewett. The album's title track "Reservations For Two" is a tender and soft ballad featuring Kashif on vocals and as producer. This track should get play on black station and "Quiet Storm" radio formats. The album's most outstanding cut "Heartbreak Of Love," a duet with June Pointer, is a Top 10 charter, having the cute and tight elements of 80s pop music. The vocal arrangement of Warwick and Pointer is in perfect form. Cheers to Bacharach and Sager on this production.

"Close Enough," "Cry On Me," and "For Everything You Are" features Warwick the soloist projecting that controlled, classy contemporary style that she has adopted since her "Friends In Love" LP in 1982 and which was further refined with her 1983 Arista release "How Many Times Can We Say Goodbye," produced by Luther Vandross.

One very interesting track is "No One In The World," produced by Barry Manilow, originally released as the opening track of her 1985 Arista album "Finder Of Lost Loves." I never understood why it was overlooked in 1985, but question that it might be a little too late to catch the fever of success in 1987, and two albums later. I noted in a 1985 review of this song, "No One In The World," features a smooth too-powerful Warwick showing that 'no one in the world' can sing like this 4-time Grammy winner.

"Reservations For Two" makes Warwick's ninth release on Arista Records and shows that this performer keeps improving and remaining in step with the times.

LIVING IN TWO WORLDS

by Dr. Carrie Selva

A lovely young woman recently asked me what one could do to understand the fear generated while living in two worlds. This is an important question because living in a constant state of fear can be devastating. We can live in fear for only so long before we experience "breakdown," or complete "shutdown." This "breakdown" or "shutdown" shows up in both our internal and external worlds.

As with most life experiences, we have numerous options available to us. For instance, we can let the fear control our lives and limit our happiness; we can adapt and learn to live with the fear; or we can learn to understand the fear and go beyond it. This is not to imply that it is easy, just that we have choices.

It take time, energy, commitment, love, and most of all courage. We spend extreme amounts of energy denying and fighting fear. Once we alleviate that wasted energy, it frees up vast amounts of energy to spend in pursuit of our lives' goals and our personal happiness.

I use various exercises to help people face fear. These exercises are intended to increase understanding of one's fear. It may help to remember that it is more difficult to cope with or eliminate a vague fear than a specific one.

One of the first things to do is to look realistically at how closeted you must be in order to feel secure in your own life. Next, think about the fear you currently have and how that affects your current life experience. Write down or tape your feelings and thoughts about the fear, and how you experience it. How does it interfere in your life? How does it help? The fear may be serving a purpose other than you originally thought. Many times, my patients, upon closer scrutiny find that the fear protects them from deeper levels of intimacy.

What could you do to change the fear? What could you do to change the situation precipitating the fear? More importantly, what are you *willing* to do? What is holding you back?

Put the answers aside for awhile, then read or listen to them, while staying in touch with your feelings. Do your answers ring true with your heart? If not, ask yourself why? Share what you have learned about yourself and about the fear with someone you trust. Be open and honest. Lying never lessens the fear; it only perpetuates it.

After completing the exercise, pat yourself on the back. In a world where most choose to live in the darkness of ignornace, you have chosen the courageous path of enlightenment.

If you have questions or an issue you would like discussed, please write to Dr. Carrie Selva, care of The Patlar, PO Box 22402, Sacramento, CA 95822.

BETTER BOOKS

Healing AIDS Naturally: *Natural Therapies for the Immune System*, by Laurence Badgley, M.D., Human Energy Press, San Bruno, California.

Reviewed by Ellen Roth

In a clear, lively style with convincing logic and excellent charts and diagrams, Dr. Badgley presents information to show us how to assist the body to heal itself. If we put enough good things into the body and keep enough bad things out, he promises the body has the best opportunity to heal itself...yes, even if it has AIDS, cancer, or herpes.

The book focuses on how to maintain the balance of

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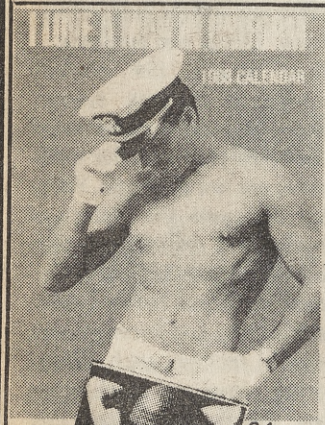

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good and bad that leads to the Balance of Nature. "AIDS is an illness in which the body becomes infected with many different germs as the result of weakened body resistance, which results from unhealthy modern lifestyles and improper nutrition." As you might guess from that sentence, the book details the differences between unhealthy and healthy lifestyles and between improper and proper nutrition. Yes, it will be radical and difficult change for many of us. But it will save our lives.

Badgley points out that the widespread and highly visible statements made by governmental and scientific leaders about the AIDS/ARC epidemic are just not true. The official line is that there is no cure for AIDS. The book shows us how to disprove that statement by taking responsibility for changing our faulty diets and lifestyle. I would be doing Dr. Badgley a disservice if I did not point out that he maintains that natural therapies practitioners have a place in the spectrum of healing arts—and many of his own patients use the natural therapies in conjunction with more traditional ones.

The natural therapies described by Badgley are not new or startling to those of us who already are following these alternative ways of caring for the body. We have learned to avoid pollution caused by improper attitudes, lifestyles, nutrition, and invasion of foreign chemicals that have weakened our immune systems in the past. Various infections are caused by whatever germ is lurking in our system at the time the body has become weakened. (Earlier in the century, for example, it was TB.) When we find out we have AIDS, we can learn to fortify the body by natural means. Badgley recommends a concerted, organized mobilization of natural therapies to help our immune system to cure the body, starting with good nutrition. One of his many excellent diagrams shows the AIDS Downward Spiral—when the immune system is already weakened due to poor nutrition and lifestyle, viral infection takes hold, thereby further weakening the immune system. Further damage to the immune system will occur past that point when parasites and germs invade the intestine and interfere with proper nutrient absorption. Again, more weakening of the immune systems occurs because of more nutritional deficiencies. This vicious cycle can be interrupted by nutritional interventions, such as special foods and massive vitamin and mineral regime.

Those who rebuild their immune systems will survive. Doctors report that people who get AIDS/ARC already have nutritional deficiences. Their immune systems are already damaged, waiting for the most available virus to invade them—AIDS. Good nutrition for AIDS sufferers is the same as for any other condition. Good nutrition and good lifetyle do not vary for each life-threatening virus that comes at us.

Details are provided on the kind and amounts of food to eat, complete with the reasons therefore. It is characteristic of a natural food diet that it is heavy on fruits and vegetables, often vegetarian or a variation thereof, and very low in processed foods of any kind and totally exclusive of junk food.

The chapter on vitamins is complete and thorough, as is the section on needed minerals. So far, readers are probably with me. We all know these things, (don't we?), even if we don't practice them. But Badgley also suggests some unusual therapies. He points out the value of homeopathic medicines to AIDS sufferers. After all the allopaths (M.D.s in our hospitals and clinics) are eager to prescribe drugs and operations. Drugs are synthetic—they attack the already weakened immune system. Surgery is another invasion of the body. Homeopathic medicines are not synthetic. Badgley discusses the history of herbs and explains modern herbal science, including Chinese medicinal herbs. Garlic, echinacea, and licorice merit special sections each. Wheat grass, algae, and mushrooms are also recommended. Predictably, he also recommends acupuncture, acupressure, and many kinds of bodywork including Rolfing.

The book ends with a section on metaphysical relationships which can be described as the mind-body connection, including chapters on the healing mind and cosmic relationships. He dramatizes his point in his ending words, "It just might be that those ind-

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viduals who live by the natural principle and who regard the delicate balance of nature in their own lives and in the life of the planet will survive into the next generation." I don't know about you, but I intend to be one of them.

Badgley also calls his book the "Operator's Manual for the Human Body." It's worth the $14.95. We can buy it, study it, and start putting into practice all these suggestions so that we do not get AIDS. I am impressed with the quality of his thinking, caring, concern, and his tremendous breadth of knowledge. I suggest that AIDS/ARC patients might well band together and form groups to study and use this book.

POETRY

by Jamie Flolid

(Awarded Golden Poet Award, 1987, World of Poetry Presentation, August 11, 1987, in Las Vegas at the Hilton.)

In Truth

Somewhere there is
love
and lovers by tall
trees
going into doorways,

Somewhere there is
one
walking still and
silent
near a brook drifting
aimlessly,
hopefully coming
my way,

I wish him well in
his journey
for I have walked
many a street
and found my doorstep
unaided,
in truth I sleep
alone too often.

AT WORK

The March On Washington: Politics And Practicality

by Stephen Dolainski and Stephen Husa

Although some of the issues we have addressed in "At Work," such as AIDS and coming out, are politically charged, emotional issues, we have always tried to keep this column apolitical. Our concern has not been political correctness, but practical reality. Handling the occasional crisis or daily glitches that can come up as a result of being gay in nongay work environments requires practical solutions. Politics does not always provide the answer.

An event is coming up in October, however, in which politics and practicality seem to be compatible. On Sunday morning, October 11, 1987, tens of thousands of people, the majority presumably gay, will assemble on the Ellipse in the nation's capital to await the start of the National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights. At noon, the marchers will proceed down Pennsylvania Avenue, past the White House and the Justice Department, en route to the U.S. Capitol and a rally on the lawn.

The March, with its demands for not only gay rights but also increased federal funding for AIDS and an end to apartheid in South Africa, will be a major political-media event. Organizers predict that it will be the largest demonstration ever of gay unity in the United States of America.

The issues raised by the March are more than political ones, however. Contained within many of the demands are provisions that would protect gay people in the workplace.

Specifically, the demands call for a federal bill banning discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation that would protect gay people in employment; a presidential order banning discrimination by the federal government that would safeguard gay people working in the federal government, in the military, in federally contracted private employment and in all federally funded programs; and an increased federal role in AIDS education, funding and research, which could protect gay people and others against AIDS-related employment discrimination.

Underlying the specific work-related issue is the fundamental principle of human and civil rights. That, of course, is at the core of any and all other issues raised by the March.

Attending the March or supporting it in any way you can is certainly correct politically. It is also exactly the kind of practical approach we have tried to encourage in "At Work." Even if you can't attend the March, an event like this provides many other opportunities for gay people to become involved—writing a letter to urge support from your congressional representatives, donating money, or volunteering your time to one of the regional or local March-support organizations. Whatever your involvement, you will be taking a pro-active role in working toward the long-term resolution of the issues that confront all of us employed in nongay environments.

On a personal level, there are a number of rewards inherent in working with other gay people toward a common goal. There is the satisfaction that comes from a job well done, and the sense of belonging—community, camaraderie—that can develop among people brought together in a united effort. Out of that can come a new perspective on the larger picture and with it new ideas for handling an unresolved problem. Not the least important, as we've pointed out in other columns, are the benefits that can come from an expanded support/networking system within the gay community.

The National March on Washington for Lesbian and Gay Rights is actually a five-day event, beginning on October 9 with Lobby Day in Congress and concluding on October 13 with what organizers hope will be a "massive display of nonviolent protest" at the Supreme Court. Other March-related activites include a separate 40-hour March Against Death and Violence, the Wedding and Reception for same-sex couples, a concert by Lesbian and Gay Bands of America in Constitution Hall, a veterans' memorial service, dedication of a Harvey Milk memorial, and the AIDS Memorial Names Project.

The goal of a column like "At Work" is to realize its own obsolescence. That can't happen until gay people can live and work openly as gay people anywhere in this country. And that can't begin to happen until we enjoy the full protection of the law and all the rights and privileges we are entitled to. Supporting the March is one way to begin to make that happen.

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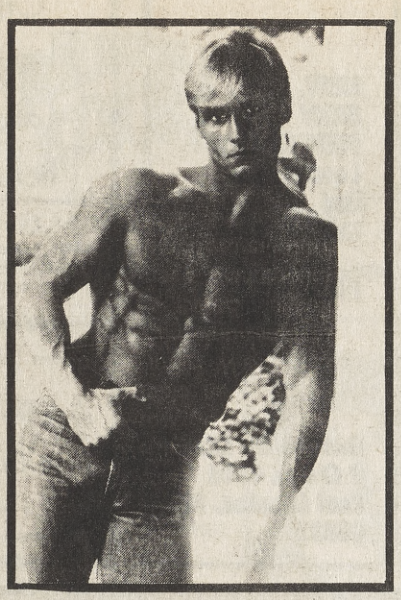

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THE HOMOSEXUAL IN HISTORY

by Christopher McPherson

385 B.C.:
PLATO'S SYMPOSIUM

"He certainly seems to have held that a homosexual relationship is alone capable of being transformed into a lifelong partnership, and that homosexual love...has a range which extends from the crudest physical passion to a marriage of noble minds with no physical manifestation at all," [from W. Hamilton's 1951 translation of the dialogue ***The Symposium*** written by Greek philosopher Plato in approximately 385 B.C.]. Here, W. Hamilton sums up Plato's philosophy regarding homosexuality.

Plato is considered one of the great thinkers in Greece, and of history. His many works consider important ideas and ideals. Among them, his theory of Forms (in ***The Republic***); the immortality of the soul (***Phaedo***); knowledge (***Meno***); virtue as knowledge (***Protagoras***); hedonism (***Gorgias***).

His ***Symposium*** deals with many subjects, including the social life in Athens, and the other great thinker, Socrates. But this work, called his "most perfectly finished," deals most importantly with both love and homosexuality.

Set at a rather raucous dinner party celebrating the recent success at a dramatic competition of the poet Agathon, ***The Symposium*** is actually a round-table testimonial honoring the god Love.

In turn, those men gathered speak of Love, his virtues, and to set the stage for the climax of the dialogue which is the speech by Socrates. As they speak, there emerges a rationalization of homosexuality that has long since been forgotten—or purposefully overlooked—by those who would insist on its "unnaturalness" or "immorality."

The Symposium is rich in Greek history as it applies to homosexuality. Told is the tale of Achilles and his great effort to save his male lover Patroclus—and how this effort brought death to them both.

Pausanias' speech tells of men choosing to fall in love with boys rather than men: "Nothing is more unpredictable than whether a young boy will turn out spiritually and physically perfect or the reverse." Also, the merits of a boy "granting favors" for money, versus one who does so for the enrichment received from being with a "good man."

But the most interesting point discussed in ***The Symposium*** is both the "original three sexes," and how this led to what Plato considered, "The fact that...true love between individuals is normally homosexual."

Aristophanes tells of the three sexes. There was a male and female and a third which "partook of the nature of both the others and has vanished, though its name survives." He refers here to hermaphrodites.

As the story continues, Zeus decides he has to do something about these male/-females because they are so ambitious, and threaten to rise to heaven and kill the gods. Zeus, unable to kill them outright, cuts them in half. As these separate halves seek out their other halves, they unite either man to woman, woman to woman, or man to man. If the male couples with the female, procreation occurs. If the male with male (and by association, the female with female, although Plato seems to overlook this other option) then another union, a higher union, occurs. This leads to Plato's conclusion that "love is the desire and persuit of the whole."

"Platonic love," says W.

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Melt butter and add flour, blending until smooth. Slowly add bouillon stirring constantly. Blend in celery flakes. Simmer until thickened, add meatballs and continue to simmer until heated completely through.

SWEET AND SOUR SAUCE

1 Tbls cooking oil
¾ cup pineapple juice
½ cup vinegar
½ cup sugar
2 slices pineapple cut into pieces
2 Tbls corn starch
1 tsp soy sauce
½ cup water
1 large green pepper (cut into pieces)

Mix oil and pineapple juice and cook over low heat. Mix corn starch with soy sauce, vinegar, water and sugar. Add this mixture slowly to the hot juice, reduce heat and stir constantly until thickened. Now add pineapple, peppers and meatballs and simmer until thoroughly heated.

MUSHROOM SAUCE

¼ cup minced onion
3 Tbls flour
1½ cups chicken bouillon
1 6-oz can mushrooms, drained
3 Tbls cooking oil

Saute onion in oil until golden. Add flour and blend until smooth. Slowly add bouillon, stirring until thickened. Add mushrooms and meatballs. Simmer until heated through.

CREAM GRAVY

3 Tbls butter
3 cups beef bouillon
½ cup flour
1 cup cream
Salt and pepper to taste

Melt butter and add flour, stirring to mix well. Slowly add bouillon and continue to stir. Add cream and seasonings. Simmer while stirring. Add meatballs, simmer 20 to 30 minutes.

Well, that should keep you busy (and most likely fat) and hopefully happy.

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Hamilton, "in spite of the meaning commonly attributed to it, is a common search for truth and beauty by two persons of the same sex inspired by mutual affection," (two halves desiring to be whole).

This means, then, that Platonic love is not merely love without physical expression, but love gone beyond the need for physical expression. This explanation counters arguments that because homosexual unions do not produce offspring—and are therefore condemned as sterile—they are unnatural, by assigning a wholly superior importance to those who are "lovers of wisdom."

The Symposium deals with many other subtle aspects of love and homosexuality. To read it thoroughly is to make good use of your reading time. Get an older translation, such as W. Hamilton's 1951 translation published by Penguin Books, as later translations have a tendency to gloss over the homosexual aspects of the work, ignoring the work's basic points in favor of maintaining a skewed sense of moral and societal "decency."

HOW HISTORY HAS BEEN AFFECTED: Plato's works and philosophies have profoundly affected the world as we know it. His works, and the culture of the Greeks, has greatly influenced the history of the world.

William Tell Reviews:

Best Of Stallions
and
Best Of Colt (Part 6)

An explanation at the beginning of ***Stallions*** serves notice that this is essentially an unfinished film due to the untimely death of the majority of the cast. What is presented is a non-dialogue, poorly scored production. Far better would have been to erase what was filmed before the actors' deaths rather than give the public this poor production. This film is strictly amateur night.

Somewhat better is ***Best of Colt—Part 6***. The film is a series of vignettes taken from previous Colt productions. Perhaps the most lively segment is titled, "Grease Monkeys." Three hunky guys find that working in an auto repair garage is more than just changing spark plugs!

[Note: These two films are available in Sacramento at ***Films for Days***.]

Where AIDS Cases Are Low, High-Risk Sex May Flourish

A recent study published in the ***Journal of the American Medical Association*** has revealed that gay men living in areas where AIDS cases are few may still be practicing high-risk sexual activities. And as a result, the disease may spread more quickly than would otherwise be the case.

According to Dr. Harry F. Hull, a New Mexico state epidemiologist and co-author of the study, "One of the main things that we're fighting in the AIDS battle is denial."

In cities where there are many cases of AIDS, precautions are taken by members of high-risk groups because they have seen the disease take its toll.

A survey of 153 gay or bisexual men in Albuquerque, N.M. found 76 percent were practicing anal intercourse. While AIDS can be transmitted through all forms of sexual intercourse, anal intercourse is believed to pose the greatest risk. The survey also found just 10 percent reported using condoms more than 10 percent of the time even though condoms are encouraged as a protective step against AIDS.

Lambskin Condoms May Not Be 100% Safe

Lambskin condoms, which are made from intestinal membranes, are especially popular in some segments of the gay community. It now appears that such condoms may not be safe when it comes to preventing the spread of the AIDS virus and other sexually transmitted diseases.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is considering requiring a warning label on such condoms. FDA Deputy Commissioner John Norris announced that,

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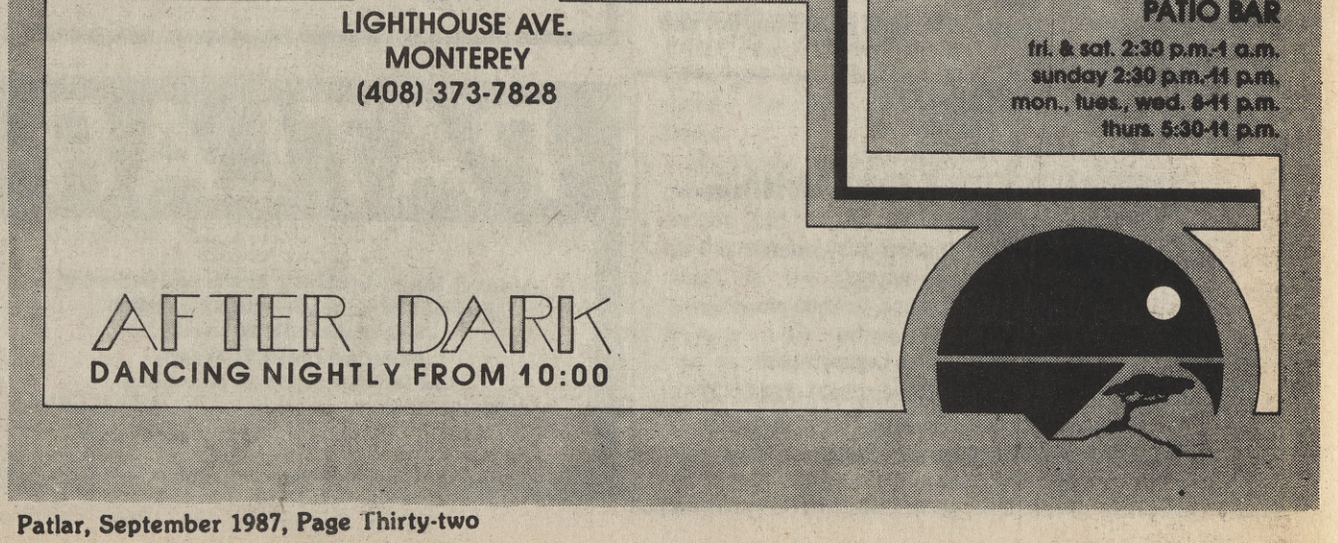

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strongly wanted to stay away from him, forever.

Jeff reclined his seat and closed his eyes. "This leaves me nowhere," he thought. "I have loved so much and I want to love no other. Why should I be forced to share my love with someone else? How could I live knowing that another guy has his nose between your shoulder blades? How can you live knowing you're taking my life in your hands? Do you care so little that you would kill my love, and maybe kill me? Or yourself?

Jeff sipped his drink. The rum burned his throat and he enjoyed the slight ache. He took a larger swallow. A bigger burn. It was a relief that the tears were being caused by anything else but regret. Jeff looked up at aisle at the Flight Attendant, now a few seats ahead. His eyes scanned his body from top to bottom. Jeff fantasized about slipping into the lavatory, nodding to the Flight Attendant, the man slipping in after him, slipping his...Jeff clenched his eyes and swallowed hard. He wanted to scream. Sweat popped from his forehead. A prisoner at 25,000 feet.

Jeff imagines the Flight Attendant coming to his seat and kneeling down. He takes Jeff's hand in his. He hand is large and beautiful, finely etched, blond hairs lying in perfect windswept rows. His hands look like Harry's. Jeff's eyes rise and lock into his. They are Harry's eyes, clear and deep, brown and kind.

"It's terribly unfair. I know what you're going through. When two people love each other, there should be an attachment, a respect, a loyalty that is undeniable. There are so many temptations in the world—especially in the case of physical attraction. But ya know, babe, physical gratification is so minor compared to true love. To true giving. If you are truly in love, the physical act with someone should be all fulfilling. There should be no need for anyone else. I guess you could think that you were never enough. That your body wasn't the right body for him. That he didn't love you completely. That he used you. But stick to your guns, kiddo. Know what you want and go out and get it. Of course, it may leave you old, weary and alone, and flying to San Francisco on the Red Eye out of New York with not a friend in the world, but that's life."

The old man gasped and drew away as all around the smoking section, newspapers dropped and questioning eyes locked on the young man in the seat on the aisle, sobs rising from his throat, his body shaking as his head dropped over the seat-back tray.

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although the agency has begun an inspection program that covers only latex rubber condoms, it is concerned about safey questions raised about the lambskin condoms.

Norris said that a requirement for a warning label was one of several possible FDA actions. The warning label requirement is in the early stages of consideration. Formal promulgation of rules mandating such labeling would require an extensive notice, public comment, and appeal process.

Scientists involved in various aspects of condom research applauded the possible action. Continuing research in the U.S. and Canada has indicated that lambskin condoms allow the leakage of the AIDS virus, as well as hepatitis B and herpes.

The issue is of major importance in the gay community because among gays lambskin condoms are thought to enhance sexual sensation and to be resistant to breakage during anal intercourse. About 325 million lambskin condoms are sold yearly in the U.S.

Creative Action Against AIDS

Virtually anyone, whatever his or her skills or available time, can do something to help in the fight against AIDS.

That's the premise of a new booklet, being prepared as a non-profit, cooperative effort by a number of publishers and writers. The booklet, titled ***You CAN Do Something About AIDS***, will be widely distributed next spring, free of charge.

"I think huge numbers of people in middle America, including many who a few years ago didn't know what AIDS was, are now eager to do something about," says Sasha Alyson. His company, Alyson Publications, is coordinating the all-volunteer effort.

"Unfortunately, most of those people assume there's nothing they *can* do. The point of this booklet is to give them some ideas, to get them started, to encourage them to think creatively about the options open to them."

Some of those ideas will be relatively obvious: write to your elected representatives, for example. Others will be less obvious: voluntter your specific skills to help a local AIDS group; or find ways to combat AIDS within the context of your profession.

"The booklet will emphasize the wide range of ways that people can help fight AIDS," Alyson explains. "We've got a lot of ideas already, but we need more. We want to be creative in exploring the many steps, big and small, that individuals around the country can take." He asks that anyone who has suggestions write to him at Alyson Publications, 40 Plympton St., Boston, MA 02118.

CREATIVITY WANTED BY OMEGA

Palm Springs' Literary/-Arts Magazine, *Omega*, is preparing for its second edition. The October issue will include short stores, one-act plays, vignettes, poetry, art and photography. All work must be submitted before the September 25, 1987.

Short stories should not be longer than 1500 words. Poetry may be of any style. Vignettes should not be longer than 500 words. One-act plays must include staging directions. Manuscripts must be typed double spaced. Writers may submit up to as many as 10 manuscripts in any one catgegory.

Art and photography must be in black and white only. Artists and photographers may submit as many as 10 entries in either category. Submissions will be returned if a self-addressed, stamped envelope is included. Based on the recommendations of our literary and art boards, those selected entries will appear in the October issue of ***Omega***.

Entries are to be mailed to ***The Bottom Line Publications***, 1594 Via Roberto Miguel, Palm Springs, CA 92262.

KEY WEST

Over 40 travel agents from across the U.S. recently attended a familiarization tour in Key West, Florida. The event was sponsored by the International Gay Travel Association (IGTA).

Membership in IGTA is open to all travel industry businesses and professionals who wish to be supportive of the gay travel industry thoughout the world.

Information about IGTA membership and future trips may be obtained by calling IGTA's 24-hour message center in Denver at (303) 467-7117.

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person is only how much he makes, or how often he doesn't get rejected at an audition. Seems to me to be pretty narrow confines for a whole human being to try to function within.

I'm all for pursuing one's goal with conviction and pride, but certainly a person is far more than any vocation's description. You were a person long before you entered the job marketplace, and you will be a person long after you leave it. So what happens to us when our personal definitions are fraught with the limitations and boundaries of a particular vocation? We become the objects, the arms and legs of the employer's desire for success, most likely for money. We, to quote James Taylor's MILL-WORKE"let this manufacturer use my body for a tool."

It seems endemic in our society to ignore the spiritual within our being. So much time and energy is wasted on the un-essential, the material, the appearance, the "look" of the world. What about our souls? What about *real* nutrition—spiritual nourishment? What about the person who follows the path of a certain job in order to grow as a person and to become a benefit to himself and his race? What about the people who find within money the ability to do good for their fellow man? Who find within art the opportunity to spread the awareness of joy and the accomplishment of peace?

These kinds of thoughts have become a joke in our cynical society. The people who dare to utter such beliefs and questions are laughed at and ridiculed. And when people become concerned enough to actually speak out, we can accept it only if it is presented to us in a palatable "movie of the week," or dance tune on FM radio.

The return to spiritual awareness that is sweeping this county and other parts of the world is coming at a time when the people of these societies are in most need of self-definition. So many people in this country are becoming nothing more than their job descriptions, and what they are discovering is that IT IS NOT ENOUGH. Their real identities are locked within their subconscious minds waiting for the practice of spiritual awakening to release them. We are re-discovering our true importance, not just in our private worlds, but in our associations with the world at large as well. Let's take up the call of our souls and break the chains of ignorance which define only that which is a small part of our myriad experience and potential. The New Age is challenging us all to reach and grow in ways diametrically opposed to the way the world is presently operating. Be not afraid of the change that is dawning. Welcome and grow with it.

New AIDS Definition

Starting the first of this month, the nation's AIDS count started a noticeable jump as federal health officials began counting thousands of cases they had not officially recognized before as being AIDS. Federal health officials estimate that the case count could eventually jump by ten to fifteen percent. The increase comes as a result of a change in the Centers for Disease Control's definition of AIDS. The new definition adds a number of cases that previously were diagnosed only as "presumptive"; that is, they were diagnosed without laboratory confirmation. Also added were certain cases of AIDS-related emaciation, tuberculosis, and dementia.

A new test that signals infection with the virus that causes AIDS has enabled doctors and researchers to better confirm cases of AIDS.

HRCF TESTIFIES BEFORE HOUSE

The Human Rights Campaign Fund (HRCF) testified in Congress recently on several pending bills that relate to AIDS testing. The testimony came in the first of two days of hearings before the Health & Environment Subcommittee of the House Energy & Commerce Committee, chaired by Representative Henry Waxman (D-CA). HRCF's testimony was presented by its legislative counsel, Steve Smith, who appeared on a panel with Jeff Levi, Executive Director of the National Gay & Lesbian Task Force.

The Campaign Fund generally praised the Federal AIDS Policy Act of 1987, H.R. 3071, introduced by Representative Waxman, James Jeffords (R-VT), J. Roy Rowland (D-GA), John Miller (R-WA), and 41 others. It testified that, "an effective prevention effort must include individualized counseling about risk behavior and how to avoid it" and stated that H.R. 3071 "seeks to create such a program. Its provisions are based on the carefully considered recommendations of medical and public experts who have actual experience dealing with this epidemic."

HRCF criticized a number of AIDS-testing bills introduced by Representative William Dannemeyer (R-CA) that are also pending before the subcommittee. These bills would require HIV testing in certain circumstances, require reporting of positive test results, and impose criminal penalties for knowingly transmitting HIV. The Fund stated that "neither 'routine' testing nor coercive measures would be effective in reducing the incidence of AIDS" because they would not produce the behavior changes that prevent transmission. "Indeed," the Fund warned, "such measures would be counter-productive" by diverting resources from effective prevention programs, driving away the people whom we most need to reach, and encouraging people to rely on testing to protect them from AIDS, instead of changing their behavior to stop HIV transmission.

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ing very good care of Eddie. I want you to make Eddie smart and strong. I hope, for example, you'll work hard in school and learn as much as you can. I also hope you'll get in the habit of concentrating on what you like to do, those things you do well, and try to do them even better. And, finally, I hope you'll become good at finding things to make you laugh.

"If you begin now to give yourself those gifts, you will become both smart and strong, and you will also come to know Eddie is a good person.

"Part of all that," the old man added, "means staying away from alcohol and drugs as well as unprotected sex with others. None of those three solve problems. All of them are dangerous. Not because I say so; not for me, but for you.

"And when you're out of school," the old man concluded, "there will be a place where you will feel at home, where you will be welcomed and appreciated. You will find that place when the time comes."

Eddie never answered the old man. He never even turned his head to see how the old man in his dream looked. But the next morning when Eddie woke up, he remembered his dream. He also remembered what the old man had said.

The truth, of course, is that the old man's advice works whether or not Eddie grows up to be gay because the greater truth is that all twelve year olds need to believe in themselves. Eddie's need may be but a little keener.

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we had passed the turning point and the direction for the planet would now reverse polarity from negative to positive!

As we made our way back down the mountain, each of us was "changed." I do not know the details or dimensions of change for each individual, but there was clearly a sense of having "gone through" a significant process and of experiencing a new and more open vision of possibilities for ourselves and the planet.

What happened? This is the barest sketch of what events and experiences the seven—and later eleven—of us shared. The future will come only out of the unfolding of those processes and changes initiated here and elsewhere on the planet. Each of us will have to discover for ourselves through the days of our lives to come just "what happened."

What happened? Let me speak for myself.

I have been going through an accelerating process of opening which began for me with my first period of fasting, three weeks ago. And, on this first day after the two-day observance, that has been speeded up. *I do not know what is happening!* Indeed, also for me it will be necessary for some time to pass before I can give a coherent account of what it is about and where it is leading. But I can see that *for me* a significant change has taken place and that I sense much deeper and more profound changes to come. The nature of the changes at the moment are that I am swept up in a limitless ferment of creative activity.

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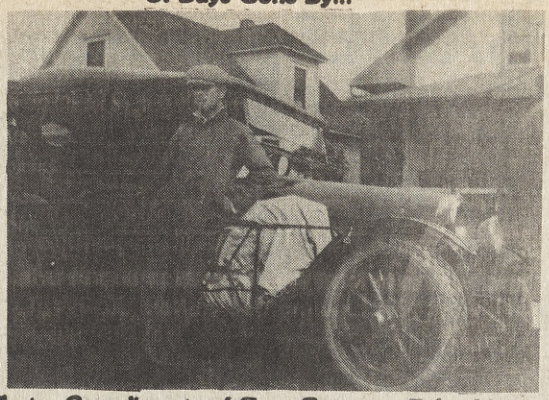

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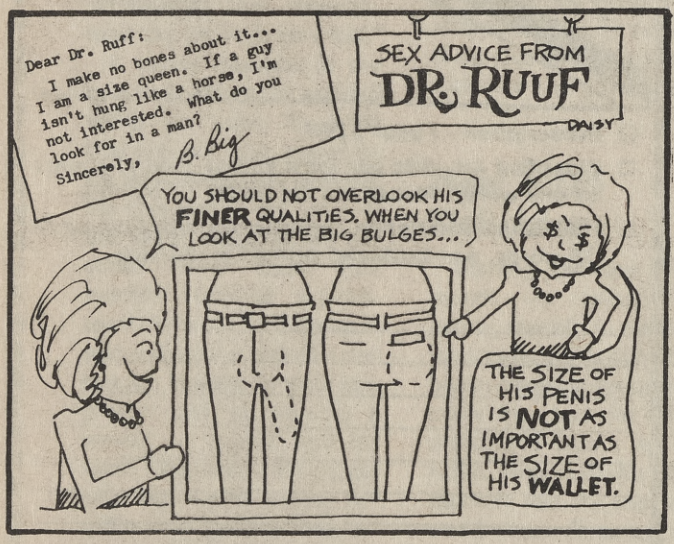
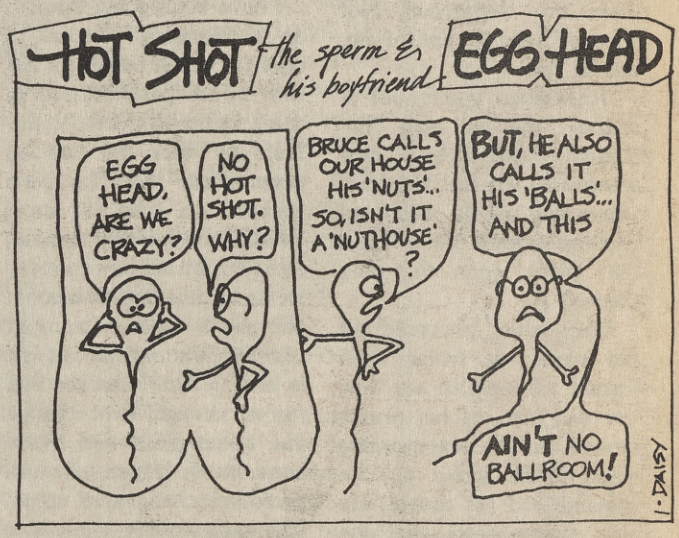

Dear Dr. Ruff:
I make no bones about it... I am a size queen. If a guy isn't hung like a horse, I'm not interested. What do you look for in a man?
Sincerely,
B. Big
SEX ADVICE FROM DR. RUUF
DAISY
YOU SHOULD NOT OVERLOOK HIS FINER QUALITIES, WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE BIG BULGES...
THE SIZE OF HIS PENIS IS NOT AS IMPORTANT AS THE SIZE OF HIS WALLET.


HOT SHOT the sperm & his boyfriend EGG HEAD
EGG HEAD, ARE WE CRAZY?
NO HOT SHOT. WHY?
BRUCE CALLS OUR HOUSE HIS 'NUTS'... SO, ISN'T IT A 'NUTHOUSE'?
BUT, HE ALSO CALLS IT HIS 'BALLS'... AND THIS
AIN'T NO BALLROOM!
DAISY

MURPHY'S MANOR

by Kurt Erichsen

Good evening. Tonight's guest on Eyewitness Interview is Rev. Ezekiel Hasenpflug, of the God and Country Teleministry...
Rev. Hasenpflug, We must eliminate it, and quarantine the vicious homosexuals who spread it to our children.
EYE WITNESS INTERVIEW
Our ministry has launched a campaign to quarantine known and suspected homosexuals.
...of course, this will be expensive, so we're kicking it off with a major fund-raiser.
How will you know who's homosexual?
Anyone who doesn't contribute is suspect.
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Dykes to Watch Out For

SATURDAY NIGHT
-PART 2-
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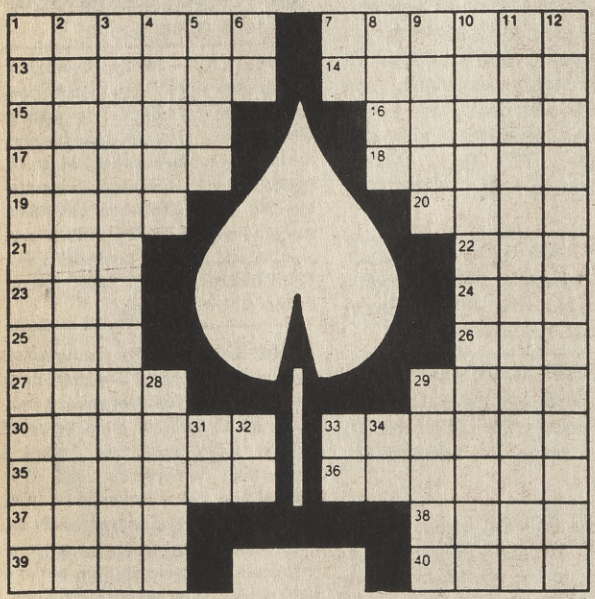
HAVING ARRIVED AT THE BIG DANCE UNFASHIONABLY EARLY, OUR HEROINE IS ENDEAVORING TO REMAIN CALM.
JUST BE COOL... PRETEND YOU LIKE BEING THE FIRST ONE TO ARRIVE AT A DANCE!
TESTING... TESTING...
13
EVENTUALLY, THINGS BEGIN TO PICK UP. MO POUNCES ON THE FIRST FAMILIAR FACE SHE SEES.
SISTERS...ARE DOIN' IT FOR THEMSELVES!
HARRIET!
HI, I'M CLARICE'S FRIEND MO! I MET YOU AT THE PRIDE MARCH!
YEAH, I KNOW. NICE TO SEE YOU AGAIN!
SUDDENLY NERVOUS, MO FINDS HERSELF STRANGELY UNABLE TO MAKE LIGHT, FRIENDLY CHIT-CHAT!
SO, HOW ABOUT THESE IRAN/CONTRA HEARINGS?
YEAH... INCREDIBLE, HUH?
COVERT OPERATIONS! FALSE DOCUMENTS! "PLAUSIBLE DENIABILITY!" I'VE NEVER HEARD SO MANY REVERSALS IN MY LIFE! DECEPTION IS A VIRTUE! LAWBREAKERS ARE PATRIOTS! CIA-BACKED MERCENARIES ARE FREEDOM-FIGHTERS!
♫ WHAT CHOO WANT... BABY I GOT! ♫ WHAT CHOO NEED... YOU KNOW I GOT IT!
PEOPLE ARE SWALLOWING OLIVER NORTH'S LIES AND PROPAGANDA! SUCH DELUSIONS AND DOUBLETALK! WHAT'S HAPPENING TO OUR VALUES?!
WHOA! LISTEN, MO. YOU'RE REALLY CUTE WHEN YOU START RAVING WITH INDIGNATION, BUT IF YOU KEEP TAKING THE 6 O'CLOCK NEWS PERSONALLY, YOU'RE GONNA GIVE YOURSELF AN ULCER!
CUTE?! SHE THINKS I'M CUTE!
IF YOU DON'T LIKE WHAT'S GOING ON, GO OUT AND ORGANIZE! DEMONSTRATE! REFUSE TO PAY YOUR TAXES! DON'T SIT AROUND WHINING!
OMIGOD! IS SHE FLIRTING?!
SO, YOU WANNA DANCE?
UH... SURE!
THEY DANCE A FEW SONGS, THEN GO THEIR SEPARATE WAYS... BUT BEFORE THE NIGHT IS OUT, THEY MEET AGAIN.
I WAS REALLY INTERESTED IN OUR CONVERSATION EARLIER... UH... MAYBE WE COULD CONTINUE IT SOMETIME?
YEAH, I'D LIKE THAT A LOT! GIVE ME A CALL... HERE'S MY NUMBER.
ON THE BUS HOME, OUR HEROINE IS STRANGELY ELATED...
CUTE, HUH?

FLAMIN'



Answers in Classified Section

ACROSS

1. Capt. Hook job
7. Being stupid (2 wds.)
13. Restroom feature
14. A fairy (2 wds.)
15. Races
16. Grade & military subject (abbr.)
17. Land areas
18. Highly regarded place
19. Ending suffixes
20. Famous architect Louis _____
21. Israeli neighbors
22. Couldn't pass electric exam (inits.)
23. Tina gal & Tiny guy monograms
24. Lube
25. Allow
26. Realtor ad abbr.
27. Object of worship
29. Atmosphere base (wd. & abbr.)
30. Zodiac sign
33. Swimwear
35. Uptight types
36. Paddle hit bottom (2 wds.)
37. Youngster
38. Powerful bomb description (wd. & init.)
39. Gestapo commendation inits.
40. Depilatory product

DOWN

1. A turn-off act (3 wds.)
2. What smoke did (2 wds.)
3. Violent one beaten (2 wds.)
4. Poker stakes
5. Russian news agency
6. The (Sp.)
7. Pronoun
8. Fake
9. Tarzan's new gal
10. Spaceship not moving (inits. & 2 wds.)
11. Naked person without light (2 wds.)
12. Sexy dining (2 wds.)
28. Legal seizures
29. Rubber city
31. Part-time sailor inits.
32. Exists
33. Tarzan's new gal
34. Midwest zip

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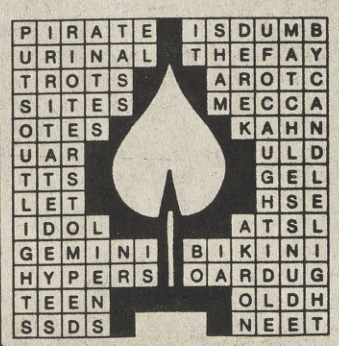

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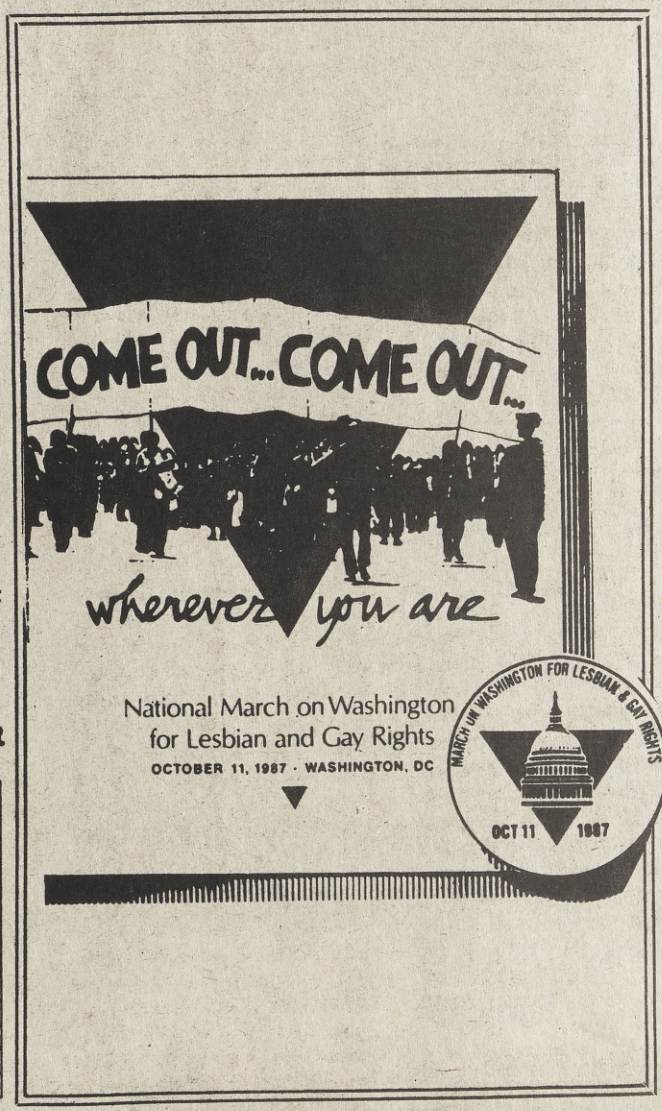
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